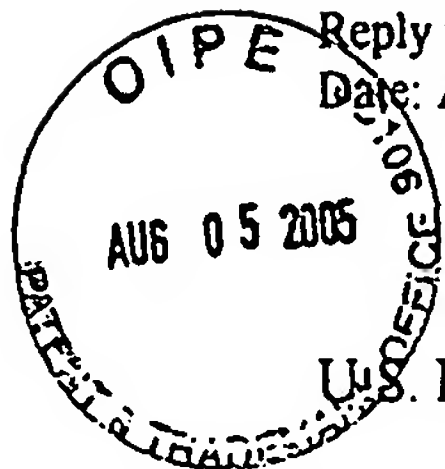


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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the final Office Action dated June 1, 2005 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-9 and 11-23 are pending in the application. Currently, Claims 2-9 and 11-19 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1 and 20-23 are rejected. Claims 21-22 are objected to.

The Current Status of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.